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Special Provision for Concrete Mix Design Criteria

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This special provision was developed by the Bureau of Materials and Physical Research and the PCC Technical Group. It should be inserted into all concrete contracts.

The districts should include the BDE Check Sheet marked with the applicable special provisions for the August 3, 2001 and subsequent lettings. The Project Development and Implementation Section will include the paper copy in the contract.

This special provision will be transferred through the E-mail System to the district offices on April 20, 2001.

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## **CONCRETE MIX DESIGN CRITERIA (BDE)**

Effective: August 1, 2001

Revise Table 1(Metric) of Article 1020.04 of the Standard Specifications as follows:

The "Min. Cement Factor kg/cu m" for Class SH concrete shall be 335(1)/360(2).

The "Max. Water/Cement Ratio kg/kg" for Class MS, SI, RR, SC, and SH concrete shall be 0.48 and for Class PV concrete shall be 0.42.

Revise Table 1(English) of Article 1020.04 of the Standard Specifications as follows:

The "Min. Cement Factor cwt/cu yd" for Class SH concrete shall be 5.65(1)/6.05(2).

The "Max. Water/Cement Ratio lb/lb" for Class MS, SI, RR, SC, and SH concrete shall be 0.48 and for Class PV concrete shall be 0.42.

Revise the last sentence of paragraph five of Article 1020.05(b) to read:

"A cement factor below 320 kg/cu m (5.35 hundredweight/cu yd) will not be permitted."

Revise the first sentence of paragraph four of Article 1021.03(c) to read:

"For Class MS, SI, RR, SC, and SH concrete, the water/cement ratio shall not exceed 0.44.

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